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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In timely response to the Office Action dated March 19, 2004, please enter the following elections and amendments to the above-identified application:

Election begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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ELECTION

Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group I, i.e. claims 1, 28-32, and 52, drawn to a Bin2 polypeptide and composition thereof.